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Attorney Docket No.: 59276

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : FINN et al.
Serial No : 09/117,970
Filed : August 7, 1998
For : METHOD AND DEVICE...
Art Unit : 1722
Examiner : C. Arbes
Dated : December 11, 2000

Hon. Commissioner of Patents
and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.136 (a)

Sir:

The Office Action dated August 11, 2000 provided for a shortened statutory period for response of three months.

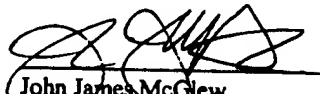
The shortened statutory period expired November 11, 2000.

Since the attached response is being filed within the first month pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) please charge our deposit account 13-0410 the appropriate petition fee of \$55.00.

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